

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
REQUEST FOR FILING CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION UNDER RULE 53(d)

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BOX CPA

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53(d), please file a  
 continuation/ divisional  
 of the pending prior PATENT APPLICATION of:

Inventor: DORAN et al

Serial No. 09/083,966

Filed: 26 May 1998

For: DISPERSION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR  
SOLUTION OPTICAL TRANSMISSION SYSTEM

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This request for filing under Rule 53(d) is made by the following named inventor(s) (using the above-identified title):  
 Inventor(s): DORAN et al

Please delete the following inventors in the CPA:

Deleted persons:

A new oath/declaration is attached for any newly named inventor(s).

Priority is hereby claimed under 35 USC 119 based on the following foreign applications:

Application Number  
9524203.8

Country  
Great Britain

Day/Month/Year Filed  
27 November 1995

certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s)  
attached or

already filed on 3 August 1998 in prior appln No. 09/083,966 filed 26 May 1998

already filed in \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_

Address all future communications to: Nixon & Vanderhye P.C., 1100 North Glebe Road, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Arlington, Virginia 22201.

"Small entity" statement of record.  "Small entity" statement attached.

Please enter the previously unentered Rule 116 amendment filed on \_\_\_\_\_

The Examiner's attention is directed to the prior art cited in the parent application by applicant and/or Examiner for the reasons stated therein.

Please enter the attached and/or below preliminary amendment prior to calculation of filing fee:

FILING FEE IS BASED ON CLAIMS AS FILED LESS ANY HEREWITH CANCELED

Basic Filing Fee

Total effective claims	6	- 20 (at least 20) =	0	x \$ 18.00	\$ 760.00
Independent claims	1	- 3 (at least 3) =	0	x \$ 78.00	\$ 0.00
If any proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$260.00 (ignore improper)					\$ 0.00
					\$ 0.00

Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) \$110.00/1 month; \$380.00/2 months; \$870.00/3 months) \$ 870.00

If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract

SUBTOTAL \$ 1,630.00

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Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00)

SECOND SUBTOTAL \$ 1,630.00

\$ 0.00

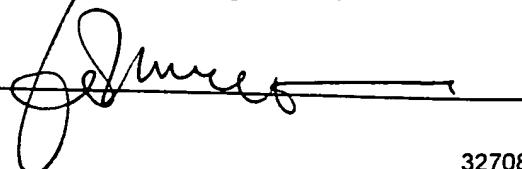
TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED \$ 1,630.00

Any future submission requiring an extension of time is hereby stated to include a petition for such time extension. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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